

## 36TH DISTRICT COURT OF DETROIT (60)

### *AGENCY PLAN: STATEMENT OF PURPOSE, GOALS AND BUDGET SUMMARY*

#### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

The 36<sup>th</sup> District Court administers justice with fairness, equality and integrity, resolve matters before the court in a timely manner with trained and motivated staff, and provide courteous and prompt service in a manner that inspires public trust and confidence.

#### AGENCY GOAL:

Maintain and insure speedy, efficient and just litigation on all cases before the Court.

#### AGENCY FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

2006-07 <u>Requested</u>		2005-06 <u>Budget</u>	2006-07 <u>Recommended</u>	Increase (Decrease)
\$ 59,354,257	City Appropriations	\$ 42,958,202	\$ 42,499,612	\$ (458,590)
\$ 59,354,257	Total Appropriations	\$ 42,958,202	\$ 42,499,612	\$ (458,590)
\$ 23,369,243	City Revenues	\$ 23,353,304	\$ 24,155,602	\$ 802,298
-	State Reimbursements	-	-	-
\$ 23,369,243	Total Revenues	\$ 23,353,304	\$ 24,155,602	\$ 802,298
\$ 35,985,014	NET TAX COST:	\$ 19,604,898	<u>\$ 18,344,010</u>	\$ (1,260,888)

#### AGENCY EMPLOYEE STATISTICS:

2006-07 <u>Requested</u>		2005-06 <u>Budget</u>	04-01-06 <u>Actual</u>	2006-07 <u>Recommended</u>	Increase (Decrease)
397	City Positions	397	456	392	(5)
397	Total Positions	397	456	392	(5)

#### ACTIVITIES IN THIS AGENCY:

	2005-06 <u>Budget</u>	2006-07 <u>Recommended</u>	Increase (Decrease)
District Court - City	\$ 17,811,059	\$ 13,944,527	\$ (3,866,532)
State Functions	25,147,143	28,555,085	3,407,942
Total Appropriations	\$ 42,958,202	\$ 42,499,612	\$ (458,590)

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### ***36th DISTRICT COURT ACTIVITY INFORMATION***

#### ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION: 36TH DISTRICT COURT

The 36<sup>th</sup> District Court is a limited jurisdiction court serving the City of Detroit. The court has exclusive jurisdiction in all litigation up to \$25,000 and handles small claims and landlord/tenant proceedings. The 36<sup>th</sup> District Court handles a large volume of civil infraction traffic violations, drunk driving, misdemeanor and felony arraignments, and some parking violations, among various other court responsibilities. Criminal Jurisdiction includes all misdemeanor criminal offenses and preliminary examination of felony offenses. Annual case filings exceed 450,000, the majority of which are handled in the Traffic and Ordinance Division. Michigan's largest limited jurisdiction court, the 36<sup>th</sup> District Court has 31 judges, 6 magistrates, and over 400 employees at a single location in downtown Detroit. The 36<sup>th</sup> District Court is one of the busiest courts in the nation. On a monthly basis more than 160,000 citizens conduct business at the court and in excess of 65,000 telephone inquiries are received.

#### GOAL:

To maintain and insure speedy, efficient and just litigation on all cases before the court.

#### MAJOR INITIATIVES FOR FY 2005-06 and FY 2006-07:

For the past three years, the Court has experienced the unprecedented challenge of continuing court operations while facing significant reductions in appropriations. As a result, the court has instituted a hiring freeze and eliminated all but essential overtime.

#### PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE FOR FY 2006-07, FY 2007-08 and BEYOND:

In the future, the 36<sup>th</sup> District Court plans to introduce new technologies to improve the timeliness and effectiveness of court operations. Two of these new technologies include imaging equipment and interactive voice response (IVR) system. Imaging equipment improves court operations by providing the court with the means to electronically scan traffic tickets into the computer system. This would improve the court's effectiveness and reduce costs by eliminating the need to manually enter each ticket into the database. Once the ticket information has been imaged into the system, the public would be able to access the IVR system twenty four hours a day, seven days a week, to obtain ticket information, schedule a court date, or pay a ticket.

Despite budgetary challenges, the 36<sup>th</sup> District Court continues to hold its vision of becoming nationally recognized as a leader in providing innovative, cost effective and efficient administration of justice. One of the most cost-effective ways to materialize this vision is through the use of technology. By using technology, the court will not only enhance internal processes but also provide better services to the community.

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#### *DISTRICT COURT MEASURES AND TARGETS*

Type of Performance Measure: List of Measures	2003-04 Actual	2004-05 Actual	2005-06 Projection	2006-07 Target
<b>Outputs: Units of Activity directed towards Goals</b>				
Felony	10,872	10,657	11,723	12,309
Misdemeanors	83,664	58,785	64,664	67,897
Civil Infractions	6,419	3,486	3,835	4,026
Misdemeanors and Civil	197,912	168,380	185,218	194,479
Operating under the influence of Liquor (OUIL/OWI)	4,380	3,586	3,945	4,142
General	49,823	44,822	49,304	51,769
Small Claims	5,217	6,719	7,391	7,760
Real Estate	39,138	34,541	37,995	39,895
<b>Activity Cost</b>	<b>\$16,521,999</b>	<b>\$10,858,223</b>	<b>\$17,811,059</b>	<b>\$13,944,527</b>

**Note:** On January 1, 2002, the State Court Administrators Office changed the requirements on how cases should be reported. After April 1, 2002 counts will include re-opened cases. Work required on re-opened cases is equivalent to that on new cases. This change more accurately reflects the workload activities in the State Courts.

**CITY OF DETROIT**  
**36th District Court**  
**Financial Detail by Appropriation and Organization**

<b>Direct Costs</b> <b>District Court</b>	<b>2005-06</b> <b>Redbook</b>		<b>2006-07</b> <b>Dept Final</b> <b>Request</b>		<b>2006-07</b> <b>Mayor's</b> <b>Budget Rec</b>	
	<b>FTE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>FTE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>FTE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
<i>APPROPRIATION ORGANIZATION</i>						
00393 - District Court						
600010 - Direct Costs	31	\$11,806,100	31	\$12,675,827	31	\$8,152,349
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>\$11,806,100</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>\$12,675,827</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>\$8,152,349</b>
00663 - 36th District Security Reimbursement						
600035 - Court Security Reimbursement	0	\$5,879,959	0	\$6,086,000	0	\$5,292,178
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$5,879,959</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$6,086,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$5,292,178</b>
11194 - Drug Court						
600155 - Drug Court	0	\$125,000	0	\$500,000	0	\$500,000
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$125,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>
<b>ACTIVITY TOTAL</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>\$17,811,059</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>\$19,261,827</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>\$13,944,527</b>

**CITY OF DETROIT**  
**Budget Development for FY 2006-2007**  
**Appropriations - Summary Objects**

	<b>2005-06</b>	<b>2006-07</b>	<b>2006-07</b>
	<b>Redbook</b>	<b>Dept Final</b>	<b>Mayor's</b>
		<b>Request</b>	<b>Budget Rec</b>
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<b>AC0560 - District Court</b>			
<i>A60000 - 36th District Court</i>			
SALWAGESL - Salary & Wages	1,417,444	1,417,444	1,417,444
EMPBENESL - Employee Benefi	811,327	1,035,868	1,030,421
PROFSVCSL - Professional/Con	3,553,727	4,333,705	1,611,050
OPERSVCSL - Operating Servic	11,194,234	11,556,527	9,047,843
OTHEXPSSL - Other Expenses	834,327	918,283	837,769
<i>A60000 - 36th District Court</i>	<i>17,811,059</i>	<i>19,261,827</i>	<i>13,944,527</i>
<b>AC0560 - District Court</b>	<b>17,811,059</b>	<b>19,261,827</b>	<b>13,944,527</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>17,811,059</b>	<b>19,261,827</b>	<b>13,944,527</b>

## **36TH DISTRICT COURT OF DETROIT (60)**

### ***STATE TRANSFERRED FUNCTIONS ACTIVITY INFORMATION***

#### ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION: STATE TRANSFERRED FUNCTIONS

To exercise exclusive jurisdiction over Detroit civil claims under \$25,000, misdemeanor and ordinance violation cases and to perform all magisterial functions for felony criminal cases.

This activity encompasses the Thirty-Sixth District Court operations that were previously controlled by the State of Michigan, which were transferred to the City of Detroit when Public Act 374 of 1996 was enacted.

#### GOAL:

To maintain and insure speedy, efficient and just litigation on all cases before the Court.

#### MAJOR INITIATIVES FOR FY 2005-06 and FY 2006-07:

The court continues to become involved in new initiatives to help the city and other agencies. The court is assisting the Parking Violations Bureau by providing a magistrate to hear cases.

**CITY OF DETROIT**  
**36th District Court**  
**Financial Detail by Appropriation and Organization**

<b>District Court Operations</b> <b>State Transferred Functions</b>	<b>2005-06</b> <b>Redbook</b>		<b>2006-07</b> <b>Dept Final</b> <b>Request</b>		<b>2006-07</b> <b>Mayor's</b> <b>Budget Rec</b>	
	<b>FTE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>FTE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>FTE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
<i>APPROPRIATION ORGANIZATION</i>						
05715 - State Transferred Functions						
600014 - District Court Operations	366	\$23,464,345	366	\$36,068,453	361	\$26,843,337
600100 - Court Administration	0	\$1,682,798	0	\$4,023,977	0	\$1,711,748
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>\$25,147,143</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>\$40,092,430</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>\$28,555,085</b>
<b>ACTIVITY TOTAL</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>\$25,147,143</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>\$40,092,430</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>\$28,555,085</b>

**CITY OF DETROIT**  
**Budget Development for FY 2006-2007**  
**Appropriations - Summary Objects**

	<b>2005-06 Redbook</b>	<b>2006-07 Dept Final Request</b>	<b>2006-07 Mayor's Budget Rec</b>
<b>AC1560 - State Transferred Functions</b>			
<i>A60000 - 36th District Court</i>			
SALWAGESL - Salary & Wages	13,919,047	22,004,366	16,602,017
EMPBENESL - Employee Benefi	7,375,298	14,064,087	10,241,320
PROFSVCSL - Professional/Con	241,470	627,880	241,470
OPERSUPSL - Operating Suppli	635,812	681,180	465,812
OPERSVCSL - Operating Servic	886,786	961,396	915,736
CAPEQUPSL - Capital Equipmei	67,000	1,479,021	67,000
CAPOUTLSL - Capital Outlays/M	0	200,000	0
OTHEXPSSL - Other Expenses	2,021,730	74,500	21,730
<i>A60000 - 36th District Court</i>	<i>25,147,143</i>	<i>40,092,430</i>	<i>28,555,085</i>
<b>AC1560 - State Transferred Functions</b>	<b>25,147,143</b>	<b>40,092,430</b>	<b>28,555,085</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>25,147,143</b>	<b>40,092,430</b>	<b>28,555,085</b>



**CITY OF DETROIT**  
**Budget Development for FY 2006-2007**  
**Appropriation Summary - Revenues**

	<b>2004-05</b>	<b>2005-06</b>	<b>2006-07</b>	<b>2006-07</b>	<b>Variance</b>
	<b>Actuals</b>	<b>Redbook</b>	<b>Dept Final</b>	<b>Mayor's</b>	
			<b>Request</b>	<b>Budget Rec</b>	
<b>A60000 - 36th District Court</b>					
<i>00393 - District Court</i>					
422210 - Other Shared Taxes - T	300,000	796,928	812,867	829,475	32,547
449140 - Personal Services-Stat	1,457,292	1,417,444	1,417,444	1,417,444	0
<i>00393 - District Court</i>	<i>1,757,292</i>	<i>2,214,372</i>	<i>2,230,311</i>	<i>2,246,919</i>	<i>32,547</i>
<i>05715 - State Transferred Functions</i>					
448115 - Other Fees	11,171,091	8,695,000	8,695,000	9,195,000	500,000
449200 - Personal Services-Mpd	0	123,932	123,932	143,683	19,751
455100 - Ordinance Fines-Traffic	8,032,739	10,590,000	10,590,000	10,840,000	250,000
455105 - Court Fines	76,864	190,000	190,000	190,000	0
472100 - Other Forfeits And Pen	932,302	1,540,000	1,540,000	1,540,000	0
<i>05715 - State Transferred Functions</i>	<i>20,212,996</i>	<i>21,138,932</i>	<i>21,138,932</i>	<i>21,908,683</i>	<i>769,751</i>
<b>A60000 - 36th District Court</b>	<b>21,970,288</b>	<b>23,353,304</b>	<b>23,369,243</b>	<b>24,155,602</b>	<b>802,298</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>21,970,288</b>	<b>23,353,304</b>	<b>23,369,243</b>	<b>24,155,602</b>	<b>802,298</b>

**CITY OF DETROIT  
MAYOR'S 2006/2007 RECOMMENDED BUDGET**

**36th District Court**

<b>Appropriation</b>	<b>REDBOOK FY 2005</b>	<b>DEPT REQUEST</b>	<b>MAYORS FY 2006</b>
<b>Organization</b>	<b>2006 FTE</b>	<b>FY 2006 2007</b>	<b>2007 FTE</b>
<b>Classification</b>			
<b>00393 - District Court</b>			
<b>600010 - Direct Costs</b>			
Judge - 36th District Court	31	31	31
<b>Total Direct Costs</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Total District Court</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>05715 - State Transferred Functions</b>			
<b>600014 - District Court Operations</b>			
Detroit Judicial Council Staff	366	366	361
<b>Total District Court Operations</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>361</b>
<b>Total State Transferred Functions</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>361</b>
<b>Agency Total</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>392</b>